



**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 18th JANUARY 2021 at 7pm  
(VIA ZOOM)**

**PRESENT:**

RDCC: Moray Simon (Chair), Alison Izatt (Vice Chair), Helen Blackburn (Treasurer), Abby Houston (Committee Member), Jamie Scanlon (Committee Member)

RESIDENTS 7

ATTENDEES: Fiona Kennedy (Midlothian Council)

**APOLOGIES:** Ann Montague (Secretary), Janey Hoeflich (Committee Member), PC Alan Forbes, Dianne Alexander, Karl Vanter

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<b>1</b>	<b>POLICE REPORT</b>	
1.1	Police officers are not permitted to attend zoom meetings. We had not received the police report before the meeting. When received the Rosewell Crime statistics will be posted on RDCC website <a href="#">CRIME REPORTS</a> page and also the neighbourhood FB page.	Police/ Residents
<b>2</b>	<b>GUEST SPEAKER - Fiona Kennedy</b> , Service Manager of Justice Service, Midlothian Council	
2.1	Chair welcomed guest speaker Fiona Kennedy to the meeting. Fiona gave a very comprehensive presentation on some of the arrangements that currently exist within Midlothian and the wider context as well. Information from the presentation given will be sent to RDCC and will be made available to any members of the community on request. Fiona is also happy to receive any further questions from the community.	Midlothian Council
<b>3</b>	<b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b>	
3.1	The minutes of the previous meetings held on 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2020 were read and approved.	
<b>4</b>	<b>TREASURER'S REPORT.</b>	
4.1	The balance in our account is £3822.67 of which £1637.36 is to be paid to the printer for the 2021 calendar. Due to issues raised, our community council have made the decision to return the £300 donation to RDT which was given to help fund our contractor to carry out the work to reinstate the Christmas tree socket in the community garden. The socket was removed from the community garden by builders carrying out work at RDT's steading centre. Fortunately, we are in a position to return this money because we were able to cover the costs from a raffle, other donations and a discount from the builder.	RDCC/ Treasurer
<b>5</b>	<b>LOCAL COUNCILLOR REPORT.</b>	
5.1	No Councillor in attendance.	Midlothian Council
<b>6</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>	
6.1	During this current lockdown, Midlothian Councils community resilience are operating a tiered approach whereby initial support will be from family, friends and neighbours. 1 <sup>st</sup> - Communities and Lifelong Learning (CLL) will respond to requests – <a href="mailto:CLL@midlothian.gov.uk">CLL@midlothian.gov.uk</a> or Council switchboard (0131 270 7500), 2 <sup>nd</sup> - Requests for other council staff (e.g., Leisure), to assist, 3 <sup>rd</sup> - Requests to other third sector groups, 4 <sup>th</sup> -Request to specific or all Covid Community Resilience Groups.	Midlothian Council/ 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sector/ Resilience Groups

6.2	The state of the pavement and hedgerow from Rosewell to Roslin continues to be a problem. A resident has contacted Midlothian council several times but had no reply or they've responded to say the birds were nesting in the hedgerows and couldn't cut them. It's only a matter of time before an accident happens one day as the speed of the cars is ridiculous and difficult for pedestrians. Cllr. Winchester said she would look into this matter during October 2020 meeting – no update received.	Midlothian Council
6.3	For information – There is no crematorium in Midlothian - Mortonhall Crematorium is operated by the City of Edinburgh Council whereas Warriston and Seafeld are run by a private company called Edinburgh Crematorium Limited. A private company called Westerleigh Group based in Bristol is proposing to build a new crematorium to serve East Lothian and the surrounding communities.	Westerleigh Group
<b>7</b>	<b>GENERAL UPDATE</b>	
7.1	<b>Rosewell Calendar 2021</b> – Calendar has now been delivered and our thanks go to our great team of volunteers.	RDCC
7.2	<b>Rosewell Park</b> – Midlothian Council have no updates this month regarding the new wheeled sports facility to be constructed within Rosewell Park.	Midlothian Council
7.3	<b>Rosewell Community Centre</b> – Due to the pandemic, the steading has temporarily closed following government guidelines. The Café is operating deliveries only. For all news information and updates on events please refer to 'a little bird told me' or contact Robert Scott, RDT Manager.	RDT
<b>8</b>	<b>UPDATE ON MAJOR AND LOCAL PLANNING APPLICATIONS</b>	
8.1	Drummond Moor – Erection of 64 holiday lodges 20/00268/DPP and 20/00269/S42 - (Awaiting Decision) Applicant has agreed to an extension of time to the determination timescales for the above two applications to 26 March 2021 to allow for liaison with consultees, assessment of the amended planning pack and to accommodate reporting to facilitate a Committee determination.	MC Planning
<b>9</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	
9.1	The Treasurer thanked everyone who donated prizes and bought tickets for the Christmas raffle which raised £427. We are hoping this can become an annual event. Thanks also to Loves Local shop for their help with this venture.	RDCC/ Residents
9.2	A resident asked if there was information about the Covid vaccine roll out? The Chair commented that information is posted on our social media and that individuals will be contacted by NHS or surgery when they were to be given the vaccine.	NHS
9.3	A resident said that she has contacted the council a couple of times about the flooding on the A6094 between Fair Meadow and the southernmost junction into Rosewell and has had no response to contact on 4 <sup>th</sup> December and then again today 18 <sup>th</sup> January. Contact was also made in November 2019 with nothing being done. Secretary will contact Midlothian Council about this issue.	RDCC/ Midlothian Council
<b>10</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b>	
10.1	The next meeting will be held on Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2021 at 7pm via zoom. Information on how to join the meeting will be posted nearer the time.	Chair/ Residents

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[www.community-council.org.uk/RosewellandDistrict](http://www.community-council.org.uk/RosewellandDistrict)

If you would like to discuss any matter relating to Rosewell with RDCC, or add your address to our mailing list, please contact our Secretary – details below:

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